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HALF A MILLION LOSS

STREET CAR BARN DESTROYED AT CHICAGO.

Fire Consumes 554 Street Cars and Fourteen Horses—Loss \$500,000—George J. Gould Wins His Suit—Need Not Pay a Tax on \$5,000,000

Half Million Loss.
The car barns of the City Railway Company on Cottage Grove Avenue, near Thirty-ninth Street, were destroyed by fire. The barns were 150 feet long, 400 feet deep and occupied three-fourths of a square. They were filled with cars, being the stables for the active system. The company lost 554 cars, 160 of them being grip cars. Not a thing in the buildings was saved. The loss is estimated at fully \$500,000, the buildings and contents being insured for \$311,000. The fire, once started, burned with great rapidity and the firemen experienced great difficulty in preserving many of the adjoining buildings. They managed, however, to confine the fire to the car barns.

It is thought the fire originated from the crossing of two electric wires. Thirty horses were in the barn, sixteen were saved and fourteen were burned in the stalls.

PASSENGERS' NARROW ESCAPE

Car on the Lookout Mountain Incline Jumps the Track.

While passing over a high trestle a car on the Lookout Mountain incline and Lula Lake Railway near Chattanooga, Tenn., jumped the track. The car was stopped by the automatic brakes just in time to prevent its falling on the rocks below. The passengers were unhurt, though panic-stricken.

GOULD WINS HIS SUIT.

Need Not Pay Inheritance Tax on \$5,000,000 Bequeathed Him.
George J. Gould has won his suit to prevent the collection of an inheritance tax on \$5,000,000 bequeathed him by his father, the late Jay Gould. It was claimed that the bequest was compensation for services rendered and this contention was sustained by the court.

THE "LONG AND SHORT" MEN

Chicago Daylight Robbers Arrested in Detroit.

John Orme, with numerous aliases, and James Dempsey, known as the "long and short" men, who committed numerous daylight holdups in Chicago, and another member of the gang, were arrested at Detroit.

Incendiaries Burn a Thresher.

Great excitement and indignation exists in the vicinity of Lexington, Ill. A threshing machine outfit, valued at \$1,000, owned by John Fair, on the Mahon farm, was destroyed by fire, undoubtedly of incendiary origin. The machine had been sprinkled with oil. Threats have recently been made to destroy the numerous machines recently sold into that territory. The owner of the machine has offered a reward of \$250 and the agent of a machine firm \$25 for the apprehension of the incendiary.

To Sell Great Chino Ranch.

Negotiations for the sale of the Great Chino Ranch near Los Angeles, Cal., which contains 32,000 acres, to an English syndicate is about complete. The syndicate is represented by John F. Gilmore and the papers of sale are now being drawn up. The purchase price is said to be \$1,600,000.

Murder in a Penitentiary.

James Cox, a Louisville negro, in for three years for house-breaking, disemboweled Preston Neal, a Bourbon County negro, in a fight at the Kentucky penitentiary. Cox's weapon was a dining room knife, which he had stolen and sharpened down to a fine edge.

Middletown Car Works Fail.

A receiver has been appointed for the Middletown Car Works of Middletown, Pa., one of the largest of Dauphin County's industries. The failure was due to the financial stringency. No statement of the assets and liabilities has been made.

Man and Woman Fight a Duel.

At Anniston, Ala., Warren P. Rouse and Nora Tanner, keeper of a disreputable house, fought a duel with a pistol and a knife. Rouse was shot twice and died almost instantly. The woman was cut to pieces and died later.

Headless Bodies Found.

The headless bodies of Joseph Hopper and wife of Longdon, Ky., were found on the railroad track near Lawrenceburg, that state. They had evidently laid down with their heads on the track and committed suicide.

Hallet Piano Company Fails.

The Hallet & Davis Piano Manufacturing Company of Boston assigned on account of the failure of its western agents. The liabilities are \$175,000. The assets are more than double.

Arkansas Town Burned.

The entire town of Malvern, Ark., was destroyed by an incendiary fire. Only three houses were left standing. The loss is \$400,000. Four men are under arrest.

Found Dead in a Field.

At Lela, Oklahoma, Allen R. Cook, a lawyer and farmer, was found murdered and buried in a corn field. "Doc" Bennett, A. J. Montgomery and Chas. Hyatt were arrested on the charge of murdering Cook. Cook and Bennett were claimants for the same tract of land.

Indiana Counterfeiter Arrested.

Thomas Reed of Pendleton, Ind., was arrested, charged with being the leader of a gang of counterfeiters. Spurious coin was found on him. The rest of the gang will probably be taken.

BAYONETS USED ON RIOTERS.

Militia and Strikers Come Together at Cleveland.

Friday evening when the non-union men were taken from the Brown Company works at Cleveland, Ohio, Capt. Zimmerman with a company of militia, cleared the street. Afterward the soldiers returned to the works and a crowd of 1,000 men gathered in a vacant lot across the street. They assailed the militiamen, with vile epithets and finally began to hurl stones at them. The order to charge was given and the soldiers plunged forward. The crowd broke and started to run, but all could not get away from the soldiers. At least a dozen men were bayoneted and some of them were seriously hurt. The injured were hustled away so quickly that it was impossible to learn the names of any of them. The situation was uglier than it has been at any time yet. The mobs are growing desperate and the troops have lost patience.

RUMORS OF MORE BONDS.

Stories of an Impending Issue Are Revived Again.

A rally in stocks in New York Friday was attended by revived rumors of an impending new government bond issue. It was again alleged that representative financiers have been in conference with Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Curtis on the subject.

The story went that the treasury officials and president believed a bond issue would soon be necessary, and that the bonds could be marketed to better advantage now than later, and that the political effect of such a step would have practically worn off by election time.

The appearance of Mr. Curtis at the sub-treasury lent color to the report, especially in view of the strong and active market for government bonds Friday. Bankers usually identified with the financial measures of the administration and members of the old government bond syndicate discredited the report.

TO SAIL AS A FILIBUSTER.

Steamer Bermuda Preparing Again to Start for Cuba.

Much activity has been observed of late at the Cuban headquarters in New York, due to preparations for an expedition which is to sail soon on the steamer Bermuda, whose machinery has been overhauled at Philadelphia, and speed power has been increased. The expedition will be led by Col. Cabrera, an old veteran of the ten-year war. Capt. John O'Brien will have charge of the vessel. Twenty cases of rifles and 200 cans of cartridges have been sent to Philadelphia within the last three days, but these are not one-quarter of the war material which will be shipped or has been shipped aboard the steamer.

New Steamship Line to Japan.

S. Iwanaga of Tokio, Japan, general manager of the Japanese Mail Steamship Company, limited, has signed in St. Paul a contract with the Great Northern Railway Company for the establishment of a steamship line between Tokio and Seattle. The first steamer will probably leave Seattle about August 15, and for the present there will be one steamer east monthly, the service to be increased as required.

Adrift on the Lake in a Scow.

A dispatch from Marinette, Wis., says: After being adrift two days and a night on Green Bay, Joseph Barber, his son William and two employees returned to this city. They went out in the old scow Oak Orchard Sunday night. The scow became free Monday, with broken center board, and finally struck Chambers Island, where the half starved men were cared for.

Says He Is Schliatter.

A man claiming to be Schliatter the "divine healer," went to Guthrie, Oklahoma, on a bicycle. He was dressed in a trailing gown of black, wore a curling beard and long, flowing hair. Great crowds dog his footsteps. He addressed an immense throng, laying on hands to heal and blessing hundreds of handkerchiefs.

Tropic Temperature in Europe.

A London dispatch says: Intense heat prevailed throughout the southern portion of Great Britain and in France and Germany Wednesday. In London the mercury marked 80 degrees in the shade, and in Paris the heat was so great that many workshops were closed.

Vanderbilt Improved.

The condition of Cornelius Vanderbilt, sr., who was stricken with paralysis in New York is slightly improved, although there is still the greatest apprehension. H. Walter Webb, vice-president of the New York Central, says Vanderbilt's condition is not dangerous.

Rumor of a Massacre.

The London Chronicle publishes a dispatch from Constantinople, which asserts that a massacre has occurred at Egin, in the Diarbekir district of Armenia in which 400 persons were killed and the city pillaged. The authorities are trying to keep the matter a secret.

Woman Hanged in Virginia.

News from Coeburn, Va., is that Mary Snodgrass was hanged for the murder of her child. She was a disreputable character, and to get rid of the child threw it in the fire and burned it to death. She was tried, convicted and hanged as above.

Lieut. Peary's Ship Sails.

Lieut. Peary has telegraphed from Sydney, Cape Breton: "My steamer Hope sails at noon. I expect to remain until the last of September." It is understood he is in search of a great meteorite discovered on his last polar expedition.

Murder and Suicide.

In a quarrel between Italians at Charleston S. C., John Gasparri stabbed and killed John Gonzales and then cut his own throat to escape arrest.

Ship and All on Board Lost.

The British ship Curfew, from Dundee, was lost in the Red Sea with all on board.

TEN WORKMEN DROWNED.

Overcrowded Ferry Goes Down at Cleveland, Ohio.

At least ten lives were lost in an accident which occurred about 7:30 o'clock Thursday evening on the old river bed near the ore docks of the Cleveland and Pittsburgh Railway Company at Cleveland, Ohio. The ore handlers had just quit work for the day and were waiting their turns to cross the branch of the river on the flat bottom ferry boat which they had provided for their own use. A number of the men had crossed. When the ferry reached the dock the last time at least twenty men crowded upon it. The boat, which is about 30 feet long and not more than 4 feet wide, would carry safely not more than a dozen persons. The stream is not wide, however, and the hurrying ore handlers had no thought of danger. The boat was pushed from the shore and was being propelled across the stream. When it was about half way over it began to sink. Then as the men rushed to the side it turned over. All the occupants were thrown into the water. Those who remained on the shore, alarmed at the capsizing of the little craft, at once threw life preservers and planks to the unfortunate men, but most of them sank like lead. A few, however, managed to swim ashore, while one or two were picked up by a tug. The first report of the accident placed the number of dead at twenty-two but that proved to have been exaggerated. The life saving crew, whose station is near the scene of the accident, was summoned at once, and the work of recovering the bodies from the river was begun. Within half an hour seven corpses had been laid side by side upon the dock. Later three more bodies were recovered.

JEALOUS LOVER'S DEED.

Stabs His Girl and Kills a Man Who Attempts to Arrest Him.

While resisting arrest for attempted murder of his sweetheart at Tinsley Ridge, Ind., John White shot and instantly killed Thomas Fields. White had been calling on Miss Nettie Atkinson for some time, and later she accepted the attentions of the other young men in her town. This so angered White that he induced the girl to take a ride with him, and when but a short distance from her home he attempted to murder her, stabbing her in the breast and neck and leaving her for dead. She recovered consciousness and Thomas Fields and others attempted to arrest White, when he shot and killed Fields.

TWO KILLED AND TWO HURT

In a Collision Between Two Freight Trains in Illinois.

In a collision between two freight trains five miles east of Quincy, Ill., two men were killed and two badly injured. The engines were piled on top of each other.

The dead:

Engineer S. G. Hammer, Taylorville; pinned in wreck and scalded to death.

Fireman Louis Athey, crushed to death.

Injured:

Engineer N. F. Vansteemburg, severely bruised.

Fireman Fred Smith, leg amputated, body crushed; may recover.

Two Bodies Found in a Lagoon.

The body of Bernard Wetzel was found in the canal or lagoon which intersects portions of Belle Isle Park, near Detroit Mich. Later the body of an unknown woman was found near by. The woman's features were distorted and evidences of a struggle were apparent on the bank. A post mortem examination did not tend to show any connection between the two mysterious deaths.

Sewall Welcomed Home.

A Bath, Me., dispatch says: Arthur Sewall had his home coming Wednesday night and it was of the warmest sort. The formal welcome was entirely non-partisan. As the special train bearing Mr. Sewall came into the city fireworks were profusely burned, the church and city bells were rung and a national salute was fired by big guns.

Fatal Shooting in Springfield.

During a quarrel between Richard Shepherd, a farm hand, and Gue, an emigrant mover, at Springfield, Ill., the former was shot and mortally wounded by the latter.

Big Steamer on Rocks.

The Pacific mail steamer Colombia, which ran onto the rocks off Pescadero, Cal., is rolling heavily and thumping herself to pieces.

MARKETS.

Sioux City.

Hogs.....	\$2 90
Cattle.....	
Cows and Heifers.....	2 50 @ 2 80
Stockers and Feeders.....	3 25 @ 3 00
Veal Calves.....	4 50
Sheep.....	3 40
Wheat.....	46 @ 47
Corn.....	15 @ 17 1/2
Oats.....	12
Hay.....	4 50 @ 6 50
Butter.....	10 @ 13
Eggs.....	10

Chicago.

Hogs.....	\$2 85 @ \$3 45
Cattle.....	
Beeves.....	3 40 @ 4 50
Stockers and Feeders.....	2 50 @ 3 00
Wheat.....	54 1/2 @ 55 1/2
Corn.....	26 1/2 @ 27
Oats.....	16 @ 16 1/2
Rye.....	31
Timothy Seed.....	2 85
Flax Seed.....	7 1/2

South Omaha.

Hogs.....	\$2 85 @ \$3 45
Cattle.....	
Steers.....	3 40 @ 4 50
Cows.....	1 25 @ 4 00
Feeders.....	2 50 @ 3 60

Kansas City.

Hogs.....	\$2 50 @ \$3 22 1/2
Cattle.....	
Beeves.....	2 60 @ 3 25
Feeders.....	2 65 @ 3 55
Sheep.....	2 00 @ 5 20

Minneapolis.

Wheat.....	
July.....	\$0 54 1/2
September.....	52 1/2
Flax.....	16 1/2
Oats.....	16

HOSTS OF BAPTISTS.

YOUNG PEOPLE'S UNION MEETS IN MILWAUKEE.

Ten Thousand Members of the Denominational Society from All Parts of the Continent—Sunrise Devotional Services—Membership Over 100,000

Prominent Workers Present.

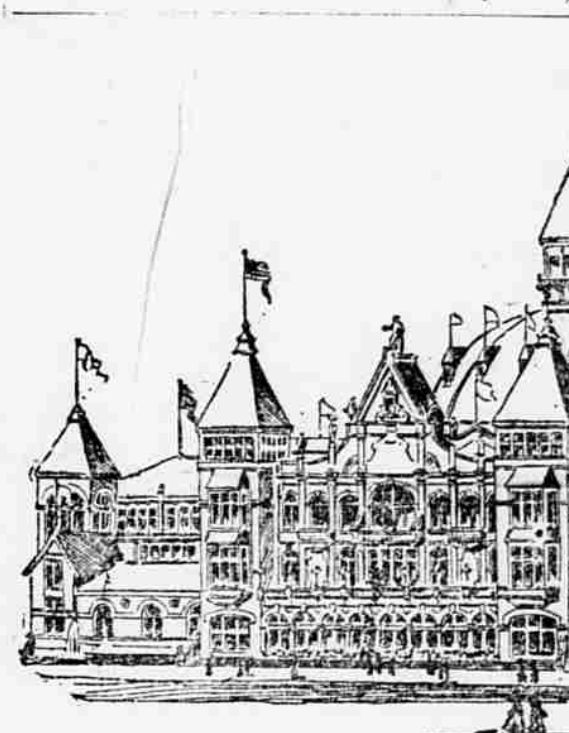
The sixth international convention of the Baptists' Young People's Union of America—the Christian Endeavor of that great and powerful denomination—was held in Milwaukee. Delegations and scattering visitors from every State in the Union, as well as from Canada, were in attendance. Illinois sent fully 5,000; Wisconsin 3,000; outside of Milwaukee: Indiana, 2,000; Iowa, 1,000; Ohio, 2,000; Michigan, 2,000; and other States in proportion to their distance. Canada sent from 2,000 to 3,000 visitors and delegates. The event brought to Milwaukee probably the largest number of distinguished Baptist divines and representative members of the denomination, male and female, that has ever been brought together in any one city.

Promptly at 10 o'clock on the opening day the international convention was called to order in the great Exposition



PRESIDENT CHAPMAN.

building, next to the Coliseum in Chicago the largest convention auditorium in America. It has a capacity of 15,000 and was filled to the doors half an hour before President John H. Chapman secured for order. This was speedily followed by devotionals exercises, consisting of the reading of a chapter from the scriptures,



EXPOSITION BUILDING, WHERE THE CONVENTION WAS HELD.

prayer and singing, led by a chorus of 700 voices, were conducted by Rev. E. W. White of the Tabernacle Church. The services concluded, A. W. Drake, president of the Milwaukee

Union, delivered the address of welcome in behalf of the local organizations and addresses were also made in behalf of the municipality. A response for the board of managers of the international union and the delegates came from Rev. E. M. Potat, of New Haven, Conn.

The preliminaries over, General Secretary Dr. Frank L. Wilkins, of Chicago, presented the annual report of the board of managers. In it he referred to the fact that the total membership of the organization exceeded 100,000, one and all young people enthusiastic in the work of the church. He pointed out that the Baptists allowed great liberty. Every church was left to its own discretion as to how its young people should be organized. There were over 3,500 Christian Endeavor societies in the denomination; but the fact that the Baptists were largely enlisted in the interdenominational fellowship of Christian Endeavor did not preclude their having a young people's denominational society of their own, and the fact was that a denomination that numbered 4,000,000 adherents in America had, perhaps, more reason than other denominations for maintaining such an organization. He went back to the first organization of the union in Chicago in 1891, when 3,000 delegates were present, and commented upon the phenomenal growth of the society. The address was lengthy and repeatedly applauded. Its adoption was moved and seconded by Rev. Dr. Alexander Blackburn, of Cambridge, Mass., and was carried unanimously.

Some idea of what the leaders of the assembly undertook may be gathered from the fact that each day's work began at 6:30 in the morning and ended about 10 o'clock at night, with almost continuous sessions throughout the day. When the convention was not in session at the exposition hall the various churches of the city were utilized for meetings, each one of which was in charge of some prominent minister or layman, and transacted business of importance to the body of Baptist Unionists. Even when the convention was occupying the great hall these side meetings were kept up. The subjects treated of embraced every religious and social and moral theory of life. The men

who spoke were known throughout the length and breadth of the land as deep thinkers and fearless exponents of what they deem the right. The addresses delivered and the subjects discussed comprised all that is worth study and reflection in theology, sociology and metaphysics.

EX-GOV. RUSSELL DEAD.

Distinguished Son of Massachusetts Expires Suddenly of Heart Disease.

Ex-Gov. William E. Russell of Massachusetts died suddenly at the camp of B. F. Dutton at St. Adelaide, Pabos, Quebec. Gov. Russell, accompanied by his brother, Col. Harry E. Russell, and Col. Francis Peabody, Jr., arrived there only a day previous in search of rest. He had run down in health after the trying scenes at the Chicago convention, and his friends urged upon him the necessity of a rest in the backwoods, and he accepted the invitation of Mr. Dutton to go to his beautiful Canadian camp.

On reaching St. Adelaide the ex-Governor appeared in good health and spirits, and the evening was spent in a social way and in preparation for a fishing trip the next day. He and his companions retired early. Col. Russell was the first to arise, and when he called his brother he received no answer. He then attempted to arouse him by shaking him, whereupon he discovered that life had flown. The position of the body and the expression on the dead man's face showed that his death was painless.

William Eustice Russell was born in Cambridge on Jan. 6, 1857, within the shadow of the university from which he was graduated in 1877. He received his early training in the public schools of Cambridge, in which he prepared for Harvard College, entering that institution in 1873. Mr. Russell's political affiliations had always been Democratic. In 1886 Mr. Russell was elected Mayor of Cambridge by a large majority. He held the reins of government in the Mayor's chair for three terms. Mr. Russell was married to Miss Margaret Swan, daughter of the late Rev. Joshua Swann, formerly of Cambridge, on June 3, 1885. They had three children—two sons and one daughter.

In 1888 he was nominated for Governor, but was defeated by Gov. Ames. He was nominated again in 1890 and was elected over Mr. Brackett by a plurality of 8,000. In 1891 he was successful over Charles H. Allen, of Lowell, by a plurality of 7,500. In 1892, the presidential year, he defeated William H. Haile by a plurality of 2,500 votes, while Benjamin

OF A GREAT STATE

NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF NEBRASKA.

The Constitutional Amendments to Be Voted Upon this Fall Soon to Be Published for the Information of Voters.

Information for Voters.

Secretary of State Piper has prepared the copy for publication of the constitutional amendments, as provided by law. There are twelve amendments and they cover about 9,225 words. They will be published in one paper in each county and the cost for each county is estimated at \$225. If more than one paper wishes to divide this amount they can be published in more than one paper. The amendments, as prepared, are all together, with the certificate of the secretary of state appended at the end. It was thought at one time that it would be necessary for the Governor to issue a special proclamation, previous to election, for these amendments, and the question was submitted to Attorney General Churchill. He has decided that incorporation of the amendments in his proclamation for a general election will be sufficient.

Farmers Will Fight the Law.

August 19, pursuant to a call issued by the executive board of the Douglas County Farmers' Union, a county convention will be held at Elkton to devise means to defeat the ratification of the polls of the constitutional amendment enacted at the last session of the legislature, which, providing it carries at the coming election, will empower cities of the metropolitan class to annex adjoining territory of the county, wholly or in part, and merge the two governments, city and county. Each county precinct will be represented at the convention by five delegates, and the plan for a systematic and aggressive anti-annexation campaign will be adopted. The text in full follows:

"Be it resolved and enacted by the Legislature of the State of Nebraska:

"Section 1. That article XII, of the constitution of the state of Nebraska be amended by adding to said article a new section, to be numbered section 2, to read as follows:

"Section II. The government of any city of the metropolitan class and the government of the county in which it is located may be merged wholly or in part, when a proposition so to do has been submitted by authority of law to the voters of said city and county and received the assent of a majority of the votes cast in said city, and also a majority of the votes cast in the county, exclusive of those cast in said metropolitan city at said election."

Sad End of a Picnic Party.

Three young married couples living about fourteen miles south of Franklin were having a picnic, fishing, etc. They were wading in the Republican River, where the water was about two or three feet deep, and Henry Daniels and his wife went under the water, stepping in a hole where the water was about ten feet deep and very swift. Daniels was a good swimmer and worked hard to save his wife, but became exhausted and both went under. Mrs. Daniels came to the top and floated a few minutes. She showed signs of life. Her chance for recovery is slight. Daniels' body was found the water three hours before it was found.

All Pleased With Fort Crook.

A dispatch from Fort Crook says: The officers and enlisted men of the Twenty-second Infantry are well pleased with the change of station. All sympathize with the members of the Second Infantry in their misfortune in being sent so far out of civilization. Although Fort Crook is situated in such a manner that it is rather inconvenient for its people to get to the city, they are happy in the fact that when they do go they can get something for their money and see something worth the expenditure of their time.

Dragged to Death by a Team.

Nicholas Wurtzel, an aged and well-to-do farmer living eight miles north of West Point, was on his way home when the team ran away, throwing him out of the wagon. He became entangled in the lines and was dragged some rods. He was picked up in an unconscious condition, terribly lacerated. Medical assistance was procured, but to no avail, and he died of concussion of the brain.

Life of a Child Crushed Out.

Charles, the 6-year-old son of Joseph Bohac of Schuyler, got under the wheels of a Union Pacific passenger train and sustained a terribly crushed and mangled right leg and left arm, broken right arm, and lacerated head and chest, from the effects of which he died two hours later.

Hot Dispute Settled.

The controversy between the mayor and city council at Nebraska City as to the city attorneyship has been settled by Judge Dundy, who decides that C. W. Seymour is city attorney of Nebraska City. Mayor Stahlhut is highly elated, as it is a victory for him.

Child Fatally Hurt.

As George Phillips, who lives in the vicinity of Odell, was moving his threshing engine his little 5-year-old boy, who was riding on the straw carrier, was thrown off and one of the wheels passed over his breast and head, fatally injuring him.

Hastings Boy's Prize.

J. E. Jones of Hastings has been notified that he was the winner of the Schaff cash prize for having the best essay of the '96 class of the Hastings Presbyterian College, the last decision of the judges having been received.

Aged Woman Hurt at York.

Mrs. Stafford, an aged woman of York, was seriously injured in a runaway. She received a broken arm and other injuries which tend to make her case serious, owing to her age.

Burlington Employee Injured.

Wm. Cooney, an employee of the Burlington dirt train, fell between the cars at Nebraska City and was struck by a brake beam and badly injured internally.

Requisition for J. R. Ritschel.

Governor Holcomb has issued an extradition warrant for the return of Julius R. Ritschel. He stands charged with grand larceny, committed in Henry County, Missouri. The requisition is made by Governor Stone of Missouri. Ritschel is now under arrest at Fairbury.

Returns from a Foreign Mission.

John Mattes, jr., who was appointed special agent of the United States Agricultural Department to Germany, has returned to Nebraska City after an absence of three years.

In ancient times bones were collected from the battlefields, ground to powder and used to fertilize the land.